

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: **John Pafford**

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For: **Dynamic Spinal Stabilization System**

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

**PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

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Sir:

In connection with the Advisory Action dated October 3, 2007 in the above-entitled application, Applicants respectfully request a three (3) month extension of time in which to file a response, from July 19, 2007 to October 19, 2007.

The fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) is submitted herewith. Also, please provide any further extensions of time which may be necessary and charge any fees which may be due to Deposit Account No. 13-0014, but not to include any payment of issue fees.

Respectfully submitted,  
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